

TOWN OF AMENIA
Town Board Meeting
~~Tuesday~~ October 15, 2013
Amenia Town Hall

Councilwoman Doyle moved, seconded by C/Hitselberger to call the special meeting to order at 7:34pm; there was a salute to the flag followed by a moment of silence.

Roll Call

Councilwoman Darlene Riemer	Aye
Councilwoman Victoria Perotti	Aye
Supervisor William Flood	Aye
Councilwoman Gretchen Hitselberger	Aye
Councilwoman Vicki Doyle	Aye

Also present:

Dawn Marie Klingner, Town Clerk

Discussions:

The board discussed the 2014 budget. S/Flood states that the budget in its current form is roughly \$10,000 over. The tax, mortgage and water revenues are down. The budget does not show raises for any of the employees.

Charlotte Murphy commented that the picnic was wonderful and would rather see a picnic that services many people than a trip that would service thirty to forty people

It was agreed upon to cut the senior trips to \$3,000 and to increase the picnic to \$2,000.

Allan Gamble was present and spoke on behalf of the Amenia Free Library and acknowledging that the current staff and many volunteers will not always be there that there will be increased costs. It was agreed upon to increase the library additional \$2,000. And that increase would come by cutting the Wastewater line by \$2,000.

After reviewing the water lines it appears that there may be a savings of cutting \$6355 by reducing line 83104.6 from \$9,355 to \$3,000. It was uncertain as to the increase.

C/Hitselberger suggests looking for a new planning board attorney the current one is too expensive. S/Flood reminds that the chairman's need to be more cognitive of the billing.

C/Riemer and C/Hitselberger discuss the current water rates. S/Flood will take this new information and get the new numbers out to the board.

The Town Clerk, Dawn Marie Klingner presented to the board a clerical error that was made on the DECALS account by an overpayment that was made to the Town Supervisor on September 5, 2013. The Clerk requested that the overpayment be returned back into the DECALS account as soon as possible to avoid an insufficient amount in the account. The amount requested is \$594.12. The account is electronically swiped by the Department of Environmental Conservation mid- month. The Supervisor said that he would have the bookkeeper complete this request.

C/Doyle commented that Mark Doyle has the DEC mining permits and Ian Hollback has appropriately settled all fines with the area formally known as the Old Amenia Sand and Gravel. Mr. Hollback is ready to move forward to ensure that the land is properly claimed. The area is a non-conforming use and grandfathered. The SPO map is not correct and this area should have been included. The Board agreed to have the town attorney make a comment to the DEC that there are no problems and to go ahead

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S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to authorize Ian MacDonald to send a comment to the DEC that the town board has no problems with the project.

The motion was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Flood	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Councilwoman Hitselberger	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye

Motion carried

S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Hitselberger

Motion to adjourn at 8:42pm

The motion was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Flood	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Councilwoman Hitselberger	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted:


Dawn Marie Klingner
Town Clerk

The foregoing represents unapproved minutes of the Town of Amenia Town Board from a meeting held on October 15, 2013 and are not to be construed as the final official minutes until so approved.

11-21-13 Approved as read on

Approved with: deletions, corrections, and additions